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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Akira TSUKIHASHI, et al. Serial No: 10/080,994

Filed: February 20, 2002
For: OPTICAL DISK RECORDING/REPRODUCING

METHOD AND APPARATUS IN WHICH RECORDING PROPERTIES OF THE DISK ARE DETECTED WHEN RECORDING SPEED IS CHANGED (Amended)

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status has been claimed. See 37 CFR § 1.27.

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Examiner: M. V. Battaglia

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.